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## MS PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

As authorized by the inventors, transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventors according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c).

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For: CONTROL ELEMENT

Enclosed are:

- ☒ A specification consisting of seven (7) pages
- ☒ Two (2) sheets of formal drawings
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- ☐ Applicant does not claim priority
- ☒ Applicants claim the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No. DE 102 55 480.3-34 filed in Germany on November 28, 2002.
  - ☐ Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
  - ☒ Certified copy will follow.

- ☒ Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☐ Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and references
- ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
- ☐ Non-publication Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

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- ☒ The application transmitted herewith is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c). The undersigned has been authorized by the inventor(s) to file the present application. The original duly executed declaration together with the surcharge will be forwarded in due course.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$770.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
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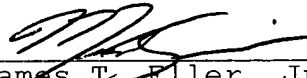
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